Parliamentary Standing Committee on Industry on the Demands for Grants (1995-96) of:

(i) Ministry of Steel; and

(ii) Ministry of Mines.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME AFFAIRS

SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU (Bihar): Madam, I present a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the Fifteenth, Sixteenth and Seventeenth Reports of the Committee on Home Affairs on the Demands for Grants (1995-96) of the Ministries of Home Affairs, Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions and Law, Justice & Company Affairs, respectively.

MOTION FOR ELECTION TO THE AGRICULTURAL AND PROCESSED FOOD PRODUCTS EXPORT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): Madam, I beg to move:

"That in pursuance of clause (d) of sub-section (4) of section 4 of the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority Act, 1985 (2 of 1986) and with rule 3 of the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority Rules, 1986, this House do proceed to elect, in such manner as the Chairman may direct, one member from among the members of the House to be a member of the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Develpment Authority."

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

RE: DISCRIMINATION IN SELECTION OF TRADE UNION DELEGATION TO INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN GENEVA

SHRI JIBON ROY (West Bengal): Madam, I am glad that the hon. Labour Minister is present in the House. It appeared in a section of the Press that the Labour Ministry had taken upon itself the burden of selecting representatives for the 82nd Session of the International Labour Organisation scheduled, to be held in Geneva next June. If it is true, it will be erroneous and harmful to the trade union movement and will go against the Constitution of the ILO. Madam, this session is of immense significance after the Copenhagen Session on Social Summit. This session will take up issues like employment, safety of mines and issues relating to domestic workers. During the Copenhagen session the trade unions have virtually been laid down. Though promises were given that only one nominee attached to the ruling party was sent to Copenhagen. But most surprisingly the Labour Minister himself was found absent in that summit. I don't know what kind of a Government is being run in this country. This time the delegation for the 82nd Session of the ILO should be representation in character. It should represent the entire section of the Indian working class and not part thereof and should express the general desire of the nation. The ILO Constitution says that in a situation of multi-trade union system attempts should be made in finalise representation at the international conferences on the basis of consensus and keeping in view that the delegation should be selected. If that fails, the number one trade union may decide the delegation.